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Carol Hanlon, DOE Yucca Mountain Site Characterization Office (M/S #025) North Las Vegas, NV 80036-0307

Dear Ms. Hanlon:

How can the Secretary of Energy be preparing to recomment Yucca Mountain for a high-level nuclear waste dump when thousands of public comments on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement have not been addressed? How???? Without a Final Environmental Impact Statement, a detailed transportation scenario or a licensing rule, the Department of Energy lacks the basis for consideration of site suitability. The public cannot have confidence in any recommendation that arises from such a dramatically flawed process. I urge you to abandon the Yucca Mountain project.

Sincerely,

David & Lucile James